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**Nationally-recognized civil litigation firm
builds leadership team with new promotions**

Attorneys strengthen Firm's ties to legal and business communities

Minneapolis, Minnesota (March 3, 2014) – One of Minnesota's top civil litigating firms, the Minneapolis law firm of O'Meara, Leer, Wagner & Kohl, is continuing to build and strengthen its new leadership team with the addition of two new Shareholders. Today Managing Shareholder Shamus O'Meara announced attorneys Tim Eclov and Mike Skram have been named as Shareholders. The move comes just several months after O'Meara was named to head the Firm, and the announcement of three other leadership promotions. Since its founding 40 years ago, the firm of O'Meara, Leer, Wagner & Kohl has gained a national reputation for its enviable track record in business, commercial, education, workers' compensation and insurance-related litigation.

"We are very proud to have two outstanding partners in Tim and Mike who continue to lead our firm through their constant examples of providing excellent legal service with the highest degree of professionalism on behalf of our clients," said O'Meara. "These attorneys have excellent reputations within the legal and business communities and are an important part of our Firm's accomplishments."

Michael M. Skram, Shareholder— With the Firm since 2002, Michael Skram represents clients in Minnesota and Iowa in the areas of products liability, construction and personal injury defense from initial emergency response through appeal. He serves on the Board of Directors for the Minnesota Defense Lawyers Association and has been recognized several times as a "Rising Star" by *Minnesota Law & Politics* and *Minneapolis-St. Paul Magazine*.

Timothy P. Eclov, Shareholder—Since 1988, Timothy Eclov has defended employers, insurers and self-insured clients in workers' compensation matters. He has represented clients in several hundred trials as well as in many matters before the appellate courts. Eclov has a particular expertise in legal risk management issues involving large-exposure, complex work injuries, and is regularly consulted by clients about unique claims handling decisions.

As these leadership changes are made, O'Meara says the Firm continues to renew its commitment to "relationships with integrity and trust, reliability and results—for our clients, each other and our community." Recently, the Firm embarked on an innovative office redesign to make the space more "team centered" and celebrated its dedication to community service, advocating for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families across Minnesota. "We are well-positioned to lead the Firm to new opportunities in the future," O'Meara said.

About O'Meara, Leer, Wagner & Kohl, P.A.

Since its founding in 1973, O'Meara, Leer, Wagner & Kohl, P.A. has achieved a strong national reputation for trial success and its handling of high profile legal matters, and has a deep tradition of community involvement. Based in Minneapolis, the firm of more than 60 employees and 22 attorneys serves a diverse group of clients from multinational corporations to emerging businesses, local governments and insurance companies. The firm is listed in *Best's Recommended Insurance Attorneys*, *The Insurance Bar*, and by *Martindale-Hubbell, Inc.* with the highest rating for professional legal ability and faithful adherence to ethical standards, professional reliability and diligence. For more information, call 952-806-0442 or go to: www.olwklaw.com. To schedule interviews, contact media liaison Robb Leer at 612.701.0608.

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